

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) Process for producing dyed, tubular food wrappings from non-woven fabric coated with regenerated cellulose, characterized in that an alkaline vat dye liquor containing at least one vat dye which has been previously converted into an alkali-soluble form by chemical reduction with an aqueous solution containing sodium sulfide and carboxymethyl cellulose and which can be converted into its insoluble form by oxidation is admixed to the viscose solution used for the production of the layer of regenerated cellulose, a tubular non-woven fabric is coated with the mixture of viscose solution and vat dye liquor, the viscose is coagulated and regenerated to form cellulose hydrate gel and the vat dye distributed in the viscose is reconverted into its insoluble form by oxidation.
2. (Currently Amended) Process according to Claim 1, characterised in that vat dyes of the class of substances comprising the anthraquinone derivatives, selected from the group consisting of derivatives of anthrimidecarbazole, acylaminoanthraquinone, acridone, benzanthrone, violanthrone, isoviolanthrone, indanthrone, and derivatives of more highly condensed aromatic ring systems, selected from the group consisting of pyrenequinone, anthanthrone, flavanthrone, pyranthrone, perylenetetracarboxylic acid, naphthalene-tetracarboxylic acid as well as indigo derivatives and thioindigo derivatives are used.
3. (Currently Amended) Process according to Claim 1, characterised in that for the chemical reduction of the vat dye liquor containing coloured pigments, carboxymethyl cellulose and sodium dithionite or sodium sulfide is used in a quantity of 10 to 90 wt.%, based on the pure, reducible dye in the vat dye liquor.

4. (Currently Amended) Process according to Claim 1, characterised in that the addition of the vat dye liquor to the viscose is 2 to 26 litres, per 100 kg viscose.
5. (Currently Amended) Process according to Claim 1, characterised in that the vat dye liquor contains in addition alkali- and acid-resistant non-reducible coloured pigments in a quantity of 3 to 12 wt.%, based on the total quantity of dye and vat dye pigment.
6. (Currently Cancelled)
- 7-10. (Previously Cancelled).

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